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FOREIGN AND INSULAR.

CURRENT QUARANTINE MEASURES.

[From the Veröffentlichungen des Kaiserlichen Gesundheitsamtes, Berlin, May 8, 23, and 29, 1907.]

AUSTRIA.

May 8. Port and maritime authorities notified that arrivals from island of Bahrein come under the provisions of circular of August 12, 1904.

BRITISH EAST INDIES.

April 29. Port of Bavnagar declared clean.

May 1. Tellicherry, in the Presidency of Madras, declared free from plague. Quarantine against Orissa suspended.

DUTCH EAST INDIES.

March 28. Quarantine against Macao suspended.

April 9. Quarantine measures ordered against Verawal.

RUSSIA.

May 19. Island of Bahrein and port of Bushire, in the Persian Gulf, and city of Hongkong declared plague infected.

SWEDEN.

King William's Town, in Cape Colony, declared plague infected.

TURKEY.

May 14. Arrivals from Bahrein subject to forty-eight hours' observation and measures for destruction of rats and mice.

AFRICA.

Report from Cape Colony—Plague at King William's Town—Examination of rodents for plague infection; infection found.

The following report on the outbreak of plague at King William's Town is received from the medical officer of health for the colony, under date of May 13:

During the week ended May 11, 1907, 2 cases of plague in man were discovered, one on the 5th instant in a European girl, aged 11

years (referred to in the report for the previous week), and one on the 8th instant in a native male adult, both residing at King William's Town, in the neighborhood of the premises on which the previous cases occurred. Both cases were removed to the local plague hospital, where they remain under isolation and treatment.

During the week 116 rats, of which 23 were found dead, and 7 mice, of which 2 were found dead, were examined; 43 rats found to be plague infected and 27 rats and 2 mice to be probably plague infected.

BRAZIL.

Report from Rio de Janeiro—Inspection of vessels—Mortality—Plague, smallpox, and yellow fever.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Stewart reports, May 15:

Two weeks ended May 12, 1907. Vessels inspected and received bills of health for American ports: On April 30, the British steamship *Hydra*, for New York, in water ballast, with no passengers and with no change in the personnel of the crew; on the 3d instant, the German steamship *Gutrune*, for New York, with a cargo of coffee, no change in the personnel of the crew, and with 1 first-class passenger and 5 steerage passengers for the United States; on the 4th instant, the British steamship *Induna*, for Pensacola, Fla., with water ballast, no change in the crew personnel and with no passengers; on the same date the British steamship *Tennyson*, for New York, with 2 new members of the crew signed on here, and with a cargo of coffee, 21 first-class and 17 steerage passengers from here to New York; on the 7th instant, the British steamship *Cavour*, for New Orleans, La., with a cargo of coffee, no change in the personnel of the crew, and with 1 steerage passenger from this port; on the same date the Swedish bark *Humberto*, in stone ballast, for Brunswick, Ga., with no passengers, and with 5 new members of the crew signed on in this port; on the same date the Swedish bark *Endymion*, for Mobile, Ala., in stone ballast, with no passengers, and no change in the crew personnel; on the same date the British steamship *Cunaxa*, for New York, with a cargo of coffee, no passengers, and with 1 new member of the crew signed on in this port, and on the 9th instant, the British steamship *Burnholme*, for Galveston, Tex.—not via St. Lucia for disinfection—with no passengers, in water ballast, and with no change in the personnel of the crew.

No other vessels took bills of health from the American consulate-general during the period under report.

Mortality, city of Rio de Janeiro.—Week ended May 5, 1907. Estimated population of the city proper for which the weekly mortality reports are now made is 628,675.

Total deaths, 241. Yellow fever caused 1 death with 1 new case reported, bubonic plague 1 death with 1 new case reported, variola 1 death with no new cases reported. At the close of this week the Hospital São Sebastião had 1 case of yellow fever, 6 cases of variola, and 3 cases of plague under treatment, and 15 cases of suspicious illness under observation.

Week ended May 12, 1907. Total deaths, 229. Yellow fever caused 2 deaths, with 4 new reported cases; bubonic plague no deaths, nor were there any cases reported, while variola caused 1 death, with